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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANCE WITH 37 CFR 1.192(C)

This response addresses the Notification Of Non-Compliance dated January 2, 2003 (Paper No. 21).

REMARKS

In view of the amendments made to Appellant's Appeal Brief, the Appellant submits that the Appeal Brief is in full compliance with 37 CFR 1.192(C). Specifically, Appellant has amended the "Summary Of Invention" to include references to Appellant's specification by page and line number.

Although Appellant disagrees with the Examiner pertaining to Appellant's alleged failure to present arguments in support thereof that one more claims do not stand or fall together, Appellant has amended the Appeal Brief to recite that the method, apparatus and computer-readable medium claims can be practiced independent of each other. For example, it is conceivable that one can practice Appellant's invention as recited in Appellant's method claim that does not require the use of a computer-readable medium and so on. This position was made very clear in the argument section of Appellant's original Appeal Brief. Nevertheless, after telephone conversation with Examiner Lee on January 9, 2003, Appellant has agreed to recite this position again in a format that suits the Examiner.